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HELP!

For those of you who remember the Beatles you will recall that their recording of the song 'Help' contained such phrases as 'Help I need someone'; 'Not just anyone'; 'My life has changed in so many different ways'; 'I never needed anyone before'; 'I feel so insecure'; and 'I do appreciate you being round'. If you have never looked at the words before have a look at them now. They are almost an anthem for this time of social distancing, anxiety and real fear. But help is at hand.

Help is at hand in all the care and love of volunteers who make telephone calls, do shopping, collect prescriptions and work in the NHS and essential services. The Easter story tells of another source of help that doesn't ebb and flow with a pandemic or a national or local need. It is there all the time. At Christmas we recall how Jesus, the Son of God came to earth and then at the age of only 33 years he was tried, crucified and died on the cross. It is on Good Friday and Easter Sunday that we recall his death and resurrection. This year we will remember it in a different way. We will not be in church in our familiar surroundings but in our homes. We will, however have our familiar liturgy before us. Let's try to worship together at 10.00am on Friday and Sunday as we work our way through our Liturgy and the Easter message prepared by Alan Bell. For Easter reminds us that help is at hand, that we are never alone, that because of Jesus our lives are changed in many different ways. No need to feel insecure – we have forgiveness for our sins and eternal life. All because of Jesus.

Our cries for help have been heard and answered.

Happy Easter and God bless

Heather, Andrew and Donald

Keeping in touch:

As we worship together over Easter if you are available on or near the times mentioned above, imagine you are in church. Let's say the liturgy together before we each turn to our televisions, tablet or laptops or use the enclosed service prepared by the Methodist Church. Some of the other opportunities are outlined overleaf.

Things to do this week:

- Walk down past the church on Sunday and add a flower to the cross.
- Clap for the NHS next Thursday at 8.00pm.

Ways to Worship

Online – Easter Morning ‘*Spiritual Communion*’ with a team from the Circuit. <https://www.tadcastercircuit.org.uk/>

On BBC: Friday 7:00pm – ‘*At the foot of the cross*’, retelling the story of the crucifixion, with Sanctuary Gospel Choir; Saturday 7:00pm – ‘*Easter from Kings*’, choral music in a beautiful setting; Sunday 10:45am – ‘*Sunday Service*’, from Bangor Cathedral and 1:15pm, ‘*Songs of Praise*’ from a Church in Birmingham.



Want to test the brain this weekend? – then try one of our quizzes below. Just want to relax then get out the pencils and colour in the sheet. Not just for children but nice and easy just the same



SAD NEWS

Noreen Foster

Noreen died in hospital on Sunday 5 April. Please remember Nicola, her granddaughter, Gareth, and all the family in your prayers.

A prayer for this week written by Yvonne Birchmore

Lord, I trust you to be with me on this journey,
the way unfamiliar and unknown,
the path steep, the outcome uncertain.
I will take refuge under the shadow of your wings
until this storm has passed.
I will trust you because you have travelled before me,
you alone know the way ahead.
You are before me, above me and within me.
So, as we walk together in the light of Jesus,
may we know your blessing for each step,
towards the best, yet to be.

A quiz from Sheila Hollaway – the answers are the names of Biblical characters

- 1, HE CAME BEFORE PETER (5)
- 2, BORN TO A CAREER? (3)
- 3, SOUNDS COMPETENT (4)
- 4, TROUBLES COME IN THREES (6)
- 5, DID HE GET THIS AT SCHOOL? (4)
- 6, REFUSED TO OPEN HIS MOUTH FOR THE DOCTOR (4)
- 7, SOUNDS LIKE THE TART ISN'T READY (6)
- 8, STAIN (4)
- 9, HE'D BEEN TO SPECSAVERS ! (4)
- 10, ANOTHER WAY SHE COULD PROVIDE A CURE (4)
- 11, 'N' EGGS? (3)
- 12, SOUNDS LIKE HE COVERED EVERYTHING (4)
- 13, COMPLICATED WANDER (6)
- 14, FOWL ON THE STAIR (7)
- 15, FRANTIC LOATHING WITHOUT A NAME (7)
- 16, WORE COLOURFUL CLOTHING (6)
- 17, HE WAS KNOWN FOR MAKING CRACKERS (5)
- 18, WAS IN A MAGIC ROUNDABOUT (7)
- 19, SEVEN HAVE THIS ANSWER (3)
- 20, TOM JONES'S UNFAITHFUL LOVER (7)



A Geography Quiz from Marion Davies

1. Rudolph Hess was the last prisoner to be held in which building in England's capital?
2. In which Ocean are the Maldives?
3. What country would you be visiting if you spent a dirham in Rabat?
4. In which country is Hammerfest, Europe's most northerly town?
5. In which country is the source of the River Rhine?
6. In which country is the most westerly point of South America?
7. Which is the largest province in Canada?
8. Which European capital city has an old quarter called the Plaka?
9. What is the state capital of Texas?
10. Which African country gained independence from Britain in 1962?
11. What is the name of Japan's largest island?
12. Which English city did the Romans call Aquae Sulis?
13. Which European capital city lies mainly on the island of Zealand?
14. Which country is nearest to the Greek island of Rhodes?
15. Of which country is Khartoum the capital?
16. What is the national flower of Austria?
17. In which Asian city would you shop in an area called the Ginza?
18. In 1948 the Faroe Islands gained independence from which country?
19. In which S American country is the world's highest capital city La Paz found?
20. Which giant statue on the island of Rhodes was dedicated to Zeus